#### BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance	)	
with Section 254(e) of the Federal	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and	)	Docket No. 22-GIMT-455-GIT
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas	)	
Universal Service Fund Support	•	

# CORRECTED COLUMBUS COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, LLC ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER CERTIFICATION AND INFORMATION

Pursuant to Order of the Commission herein Columbus Communications Services, LLC submits its certification and information supporting its continuing designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

Columbus Communications Services, LLC's attachments other than Attachments 1 and 5 certifications are filed herewith as proprietary and confidential under seal. The carrier believes that the information contained in these attachments are of such competitive sensitivity that disclosure to any person other than the carrier, the Commission, and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220(a). Disclosure of trade secrets and confidential information to any person, including parties to this proceeding, is prohibited unless the Commission finds the disclosure is warranted, after considering all of the factors in that statute. The carrier believes that disclosure of the information contained in these attachments would have a significant and adverse impact on its competitive stance regarding existing or potential competing entities including wireless carriers, competitive local exchange carriers, and incumbent local exchange carriers. Regulatorily mandated disclosure of any or all of the subject information would create a competitive bias in favor of any actual or potential competitor not required to provide

comparable information, reducing or eliminating any benefit to consumers otherwise resulting from unbiased competition and damaging the submitting company's ability to engage in fair competition.

Respectfully submitted,

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## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Dwight D. Keen, Chair Susan K. Duffy, Commissioner Andrew J. French, Commissioner			
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# SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT

(Please type or print legibly)
(Circle all Federal and Kansas Support Received)

- 1. My title is General Manager of Columbus Communications Services, LLC. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), including Legacy or Frozen high-cost Loop support (HCL/FHCS), Safety Valve support (SVS), Connect America Cost Model (CACM) support, Connect America Fund (CAF I/CAF II) support, Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM/ACAM II) support, Rural Broadband Experiment support (RBE), Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding Columbus Communications Services, LLC to the statements made in this certification.
- Columbus Communications Services, LLC was named as an Eligible Telecommunications
   Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No.
   12-COST-923-COC by order dated October 25, 2012 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 12-COST-923-COC by order dated October 25, 2012.
- 3. By this affidavit, I certify that all federal high-cost USF, including HCL, FHCS, SVS, CACM, CAF I/CAF II, A-CAM/ACAM II, RBE, RDOF, and/or KUSF received by Columbus

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#### Docket No. 22-GIMT-455-GIT Attachment 1

Communications Services, LLC was used in the proceeding calendar year <u>2021</u> and will be used in the new calendar year <u>2023</u> *only* for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct.

(Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

Signature

Dave Soper

Printed/Typed Name

Executed on 6-17-2022 date.

Email address: dsoper@columbus-telephone.com

## Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)?

Yes/No)	. IF YES, I	PLEASE CO	<b>MPLETE</b>	THE FOLLO	OWING:
Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
N/A					

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

recipient	s's service are	number of requests that were unfinger	ulfilled duri	ng the prior o	alendar year	. If applical	ole,
customer N/A	•	your company	- Litempied			mose poten	
3. Please	provide the	number of comp	olaints per 1,	000 connecti	ons (fixed o	mobile) in	— the
	endar year. Zero	г	F,		(4.1.000 0.		

4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:

## QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELINE</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is General Manager of the Columbus Communications Service, LLC. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding Columbus Communications Service, LLC to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that Columbus Communications Service, LLC is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on (6-17-2022) (date).

Signature

Dave Soper

Printed/Typed Name

## QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELESS</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

1.	My title is		of t	he			_ (C	ompany/
Cooperative).	In this capaci	ity, I am in a p	osition of au	thority to	certify who	ether th	ie C	ompany/
Cooperative	is complying	with required	quality of	service	standards.	I	am	binding
	(Com	npany/Cooperativ	e) to the state	ments ma	de in this ce	rtificati	on.	
2.	By this affida	avit, I certify that			(Compan	y/ Coop	perat	ive) is in
compliance w	ith the CTIA Co	de.						
I cert	ify under penalty	y of perjury under	the laws of the	ne state of	Kansas that	the fore	egoir	ig is true
and correct. (	Pursuant to Kan.	. Stat. Ann. 53-60	01.) Executed	on			(date	).
			5	Signature				
				Print / Ty	ped Name			

**5.** Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 C.F.R § 54.202(a)(2).

## ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is General Manager of the Columbus Communications Service, LLC. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is able to function in an emergency. I am binding Columbus Communications Service, LLC to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that Columbus Communications Service, LLC is capable of functioning in an emergency.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on

6-17- 2022 (date).

Signature

Dave Soper

Printed / Typed Name

**6.** 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services (including Lifeline services) throughout the service area for which it has been designated "using media of general distribution." **Please complete the following:** 

Name of Media	Type of Media	Geographic Areas Reached	Dates Published
Pittsburg Chamber	Sponsorship	Pittsburg	All Year
Columbus News-Report	Print	Columbus	All Year
Facebook	Digital	All Service Areas	All Year
Cherokee Co. Fair Sponsorship	Sponsorship	Columbus	July 2020
Pittsburg Chamber Banquet Sponsorship	Sponsorship	Pittsburg	January 2020
Columbus Chamber Banquet Sponsorship	Sponsorship	Columbus	All Year
Columbus High School Calendars	Print	Columbus	All Year
Customer Calendars	Print	All Areas	December 2020

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a	local usage plan comparable to that of
the incumbent LEC. Please provide a description	of the local usage plan(s) that is
comparable to that of the incumbent LEC and con $N/A$	mplete the certification.
KCC Docket Reference: 0 (Please type or pring)  1. My title is	
(Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a	
Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan comp	arable to that of the incumbent. I am binding
(Company/Cooperative)	) to the statements made in this certification.
2. By this affidavit, I certify that	(Company/
Cooperative) offers a local usage plan comparable to t	that of the incumbent.
I certify under penalty of perjury under the la	ws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing
is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan.	Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on
(date).	
	Signature
	Printed/Typed Name